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*NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.*

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THE AMERICAN PURITY ALLIANCE, (hitherto the New York Committee for the Prevention of State Regulation of Vice), held its Nineteenth Annual Meeting on Thursday evening, February 14th, in the parlors of the "Isaac T. Hopper Home," No. 110 Second Avenue, New York. There was a large attendance, filling the spacious parlors, and including many well-known citizens, men and women, representing various religious bodies and philanthropic associations.

Prayer was offered by Rev. S. S. SEWARD, of New York.

AARON M. POWELL presided, and made a brief opening address.

Mrs. ANNA RICE POWELL, Corresponding Secretary, read the annual report.

Mrs. N. L. DAVIS, Recording Secretary, then read and announced letters from Rev. Dr. W. T. SABINE, Miss GRACE H. DODGE, Mrs. C. R. LOWELL, J. HOWARD WRIGHT, Mrs. GEORGE L. STEARNS, ANNA B. DAY, R. C. M. PAGE, M. D., WM. D. PORTER, Esq., and others.

Addresses followed successively by SAMUEL C. BLACKWELL, upon "The New Licensing Bill;" by Hon. ELBRIDGE T. GERRY, upon "The Roman and other Experiments in Districting Vice," (read by the PRESIDENT); by Hon. NOAH DAVIS, on "Legal Restraint for Vicious Men and Women," (read by WILLIAM M. JACKSON); by EMILY BLACKWELL, M. D., on "The Municipality and Vice;" by Rev. ANTOINETTE BROWN BLACKWELL; Mrs. PRINDLE, of the Florence Mission; HENRY GEORGE, Rev. S. S. SEWARD, and WILLIAM T. WARDWELL, Esq., with brief closing remarks by Mr. POWELL.

A resolution, protesting against the passage by the Legislature of the State of New York of any bill to license, regulate or district social vice was unanimously adopted.

The addresses, in full or in part, are published in THE PHILANTHROPIST.



## NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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As we enter upon the twentieth year of our work in behalf of a high and equal standard of morality, alike for both sexes, we are reminded, in a retrospective view, that the past nineteen years of service have made a history for which we had no plan in our informal beginning. It was in the summer of 1876 that a few of us organized as a Committee, with the revered Abby Hopper Gibbons as our President, to respond to an appeal brought to us by a deputation from the International Federation for the Abolition of State Regulation of Vice, an organization of which Mrs. Josephine E. Butler, of England, is the heroic, consecrated leader. The grave and painful message which these delegates—the Rev. J. P. Gledstone and Mr. H. J. Wilson, M. P. of England—brought to us to warn us of the danger to which we were exposed, was intensified by the fact that an effort was made about that time to establish the old world system of State sanctioned vice in New York. We found local work to do at once to thwart the evil scheme, and it has proved that we have had need to keep continued and unremitting watch and guard over legislation in our own and other States all these intervening years. Meanwhile we have also done what we could to spread a knowledge of the important mission of the International Federation and the principles involved in the movement, which were very little understood in this country. We have worked in quiet ways, chiefly through the types. *THE PHILANTHROPIST*, published monthly for nearly a decade, has reached and awakened the interest of a valuable constituency of earnest,

thoughtful people scattered throughout the country, who have given us their helpful co-operation, and our work has thus extended and broadened. We therefore find it desirable now to give ourselves a more fitting title, hence the change of name to that of "THE AMERICAN PURITY ALLIANCE," by which we can also give those who have become our allies their proper recognition in auxiliary societies and otherwise.

#### RENEWED REGULATION SCHEMES.

As in so many of these past years, so in the one just closed, we have had to meet and resist the threatened attempts of those who would localize and legalize organized licentiousness as a legitimate business. In New York, Dr. Parkhurst's fearless and remarkable crusade against police complicity with vice revealed to many hitherto indifferent minds the gravity and extent of the social evil in the metropolis. People who have given little thought to this subject do not realize the injustice to women, the increased temptations to sin for men, which the regulation system involves, and are too easily led to believe that there is some restraining, sanitary benefit to be gained by it, hence came a year ago recommendations in some journals, and from one of our Police Commissioners, for its adoption.

Regulation propagandists are renewedly active in our midst at the present time, and their latest manifesto is the organization and incorporation of a "Law and Order Society," with the avowed object of establishing the odious system of licensed vice in New York. The bill they have prepared has been published, and is suggestive reading for those who do not understand what such legislation means. One of our daily journals in publishing it has issued also a series of symposiums on "How shall we treat the outcasts?" giving opinions from various writers and public men

many of whom, but not all, favored the regulation method. It is an ominous fact that a considerable number of those "interviewed" were members of the New York Legislature and announced themselves as heartily in favor of some form of districting or licensing vice.

Regulation propagandists have also been busy the past year in several cities of other States. In Cleveland, Ohio, by the action of its Director of Police, with the consent if not the encouragement of its municipal authorities, a modified form of regulation was put in force. A vigorous campaign against it was inaugurated and happily it was abolished. Director Pollner has resigned his position, and has resumed the management of the affairs of the Columbia Brewing Company. Much good work was done, but among those who gave specially effective service in the repeal movement, mention should be made of Mr. J. W. Walton, of Cleveland, and Mrs. Dora Webb, Superintendent of the Ohio W. C. T. U.

In many cities there exists tolerated vice, with police or municipal regulation of houses of debauchery, without the open sanction of law. We are informed by the General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of Davenport, Iowa, that in that city if keepers of such houses and inmates will appear at the police station when notified (at least once a month), report change of residence, pay fines and costs, no arrests are made except in the case of disturbance of the peace. This Secretary states that "as a result it is reliably reported that boys, who were heretofore deterred from visiting such places for fear of it becoming known, are now seen in and about these places in large numbers."

During the year a proposition has been made by the Board of Public Safety and the Mayor of Louisville, Ky., to license prostitution in that city, but it was met with prompt and effective resist-



ance. The *Courier-Journal* of Louisville in an earnest editorial, denounced the evil scheme, asserting that the people when they understood what was involved "would not consent to the sanction of law cast over this iniquity."

From Houston, Texas, has also come, during the year, information of a similar effort with appeals for our literature to aid in the agitation needed to successfully oppose it.

Very recently word has been sent to us that a bill has been introduced into the California Legislature to legalize vice there, after the old-world method.

In Boston there has been formed within a few months what is called a "Landladies Union" by keepers of houses of ill-fame of the more fashionable sort. The avowed object of this organization, which has been made a permanent one, is to secure a system of municipal license and medical inspection for the women of their unholy trade. They claim to represent sufficient capital to gain their ends, and if more funds should be needed they assert that business men outside have volunteered their assistance to any extent.

We record these symptoms of the deeply hidden social disease, which results in a cruel, secret traffic in girlhood to supply fresh victims for the trade in vice, to show that there is need of vigilance. It is our function to turn on the light and give evidence in the recorded experience of those countries where such methods have been adopted that the results have been evil, and only evil. Furthermore that what is morally wrong can never be physiologically right.

#### MEMORIAL TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF NEW YORK.

As each year we have been confronted here in New York with these efforts to legalize vice, we have felt that we ought, if pos-

sible, to be protected against them permanently. To this end we addressed a memorial to the State Constitutional Convention which met in Albany last summer to revise the Constitution of New York, asking it to adopt and submit for ratification an amendment which should specify that neither the Legislature nor any municipality shall have power by statute, ordinance or otherwise to legalize, license, or regulate social vice or prostitution. This memorial was referred to a Sub-Committee which reported that "it was a subject for Legislative and not Constitutional Convention action." The full Committee concurring in this report the question was thus effectually dodged.

#### THE BRECKENRIDGE SCANDAL.

The past year will be memorable in the history of the Purity Movement in the revelation of the need of its lesson of chastity made manifest by the exposure of the dual life of one holding a high position in Church and State. For weeks the Breckenridge scandal flooded the country through the daily and weekly press with an almost continuous stream of impurity. Bold and defiant in his demoralization, when this disgraced Congressman sought vindication in re-election he found the moral sentiment aroused by the noble, patriotic women of the 7th Congressional District of Kentucky too strong for him. We officially extended to them our thanks by resolution, and think it fitting to record the victory won as one of the marked events of the year 1894, in the warning it gives to our public servants that their private lives must bear the test of the purity search-light.

#### AGE OF CONSENT LAWS.

We have again sent out letters of inquiry to the Secretaries of State in each State in the Union, asking for the official statement



as to the status of the legal age of consent laws. All but one have responded, and we append the list as thus secured.

“AGE OF CONSENT” IN CASES OF RAPE IN THE UNITED STATES.

|                        |           |                                |           |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Maine.....             | 14 years, | North Dakota.....              | 14 years. |
| New Hampshire....      | 13 “      | Maryland.....                  | 14 “      |
| Vermont . . . . .      | 14 “      | Virginia . . . . .             | 12 “      |
| Massachusetts.....     | 16 “      | West Virginia.....             | 14 “      |
| Connecticut.....       | 14 “      | North Carolina . . . . .       | 10 “      |
| Rhode Island.....      | 16 “      | South Carolina . . . . .       | 10 “      |
| New York.....          | 16 “      | Florida.....                   | 17 “      |
| New Jersey . . . . .   | 16 “      | Georgia.....                   | 14 “      |
| Pennsylvania.....      | 16 “      | Alabama.....                   | 10 “      |
| Mississippi.....       | 10 “      | Louisiana.....                 | “         |
| Texas.....             | 12 “      | Tennessee, 16 years and 1 day. |           |
| Kentucky.....          | 12 “      | Ohio.....                      | 14 years. |
| Michigan . . . . .     | 14 “      | Illinois.....                  | 14 “      |
| Indiana . . . . .      | 14 “      | Iowa . . . . .                 | 13 “      |
| Missouri . . . . .     | 14 “      | Minnesota . . . . .            | 14 “      |
| Wisconsin . . . . .    | 12 “      | Nebraska. . . . .              | 15 “      |
| Kansas.....            | 18 “      | Nevada . . . . .               | 14 “      |
| Montana . . . . .      | 15 “      | Wyoming.....                   | 18 “      |
| Idaho.....             | 14 “      | California.....                | 14 “      |
| New Mexico.....        | 14 “      | Oregon . . . . .               | 14 “      |
| Washington . . . . .   | 16 “      | Arkansas . . . . .             | 16 “      |
| Arizona.....           | 14 “      | Colorado.....                  | 16 “      |
| South Dakota . . . . . | 16 “      | Dist. Columbia.....            | 16 “      |
| Utah . . . . .         | 13 “      | Delaware.....                  | 7 “       |

Though in some States the age has been raised since our last inquiry in 1893, we find that in others the young girl at the tender age of ten and twelve years is still held legally

capable of consenting to her own ruin. From Delaware, where there had been some improved legislation, we have the painful statement from the Secretary of State that the "age of consent" in cases of rape in that State is still seven years. We are glad to report that a Bill has recently been introduced in the Delaware Legislature providing that the age be raised to eighteen years.

It is a significant fact that the only States in which the age has been raised to eighteen years are Kansas and Wyoming, where women are enfranchised—in the former municipal suffrage, in the latter full suffrage.

#### PREVENTIVE WORK.

Though there is much to depress and dishearten the student of this movement, there are evidences of progress showing that the agitation and protest against the double standard of morality, in which much of the organized impurity has its root, is being felt, and that public opinion is being favorably affected by it.

The educational value of the White Cross societies, of which the Rev. Dr. B. F. DeCosta has been the American pioneer leader, cannot be too highly estimated. They ought to be greatly multiplied. In Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., under the direction of Prof. H. H. Wright, a White Cross Society is successfully maintained with beneficent results. It is an object lesson of what may be done in colleges and institutions of learning in the country.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, under the able and influential leadership of Frances E. Willard, has its Purity department and its superintendents—National and State, are rendering a most valuable service.

Some Young Men's Christian Associations have organized White Cross Leagues, but not as generally as is desirable.

The Purity movement has the sympathy of many religious teachers, as evidenced by their public utterances and by resolutions adopted at some of the large religious conventions.

The Religious Society of Friends, in its organization for Philanthropic Labor, representing Seven Yearly Meetings, has its Purity department, also a special department concerning demoralizing publications. At a large Conference held at Chappaqua, N. Y., last summer, this subject was admirably presented in an able paper by Edward B. Rawson, since published as No. 28, "Social Purity—The Right Training of Children," of THE PHILANTHROPIST Series of Leaflets. At the request of the young men of this Conference a special meeting was held for them and marked interest was manifested.

Other special organizations for moral education and general work in various lines of the purity movement are contributing helpful service.

#### THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION.

On the other side of the Atlantic The International Federation is faithfully and persistently pressing its mission and undermining the strongholds of State regulated vice in the old world. It is a long, hard struggle and should claim more American sympathy and co-operation than it has thus far received. Its Annual Conference for 1894 was held in London, England, and our Alliance was represented by its President. At this Conference much attention was given to affairs in India. Dr. Kate C. Bushnell and Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler Andrew, as representatives of the World's W. C. T. U., have made a most valuable contribution to the cause of Purity in that country by their wise and fearless investigation and testimony, which the English Parliament has been forced to hear and heed. The persecutions to which Alfred S. Dyer and a

few consecrated missionaries in India have been subjected in their crusade against State-sanctioned vice, involving English officials, are noteworthy incidents of the past year, too little known and appreciated in our country.

#### PURITY CONGRESS.

We are arranging to hold during the current year a National Purity Congress in one of our large cities, with carefully prepared papers and addresses covering all phases of this movement so vital to the welfare of humanity. We have been greatly cheered by the hearty responses of acceptance to invitations already given to share in this Congress, and by the cordial expressions of interest in our work manifested by those who have consented to assume official positions in The Alliance. In Baltimore, Md., already the preliminary steps have been taken for the organization of an auxiliary Alliance.

#### MEDICAL DECLARATION.

We are circulating a Medical Declaration concerning chastity for signatures by physicians, to gain the help of their moral influence in combatting the mischievous, Godless doctrine of the necessity of vice for one sex. Until the thought of the public mind is radically changed and both sexes are held to the one high standard of morals, such revelations as we have had the past year in New York will continue, and rescue societies will be inadequate to save the multitude of young girls who are swept annually into this vortex of vice. You may convict the police of complicity, you may elect new officials, but while it is expected and desired by those who make public opinion that provision must be made in some way for the sins of the flesh, "to fulfil the lusts thereof," there can be no genuine reform.



## LITERATURE.

We have published and circulated the past year about two million pages of literature dealing with the various phases of this difficult problem.

We acknowledge gratefully the substantial co-operation of interested friends and helpers by contributions of money and otherwise, which has enabled us to prosecute the work. We have faith to believe that we have only to state the need to be assured of continued support and encouragement.

ANNA RICE POWELL,

*Corresponding Secretary.*



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ANNA LUKENS, M. D.

*CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN PURITY  
ALLIANCE.*

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In view of the wide-spread suffering, physical disease, deplorable hereditary results, degradation of manhood and womanhood, and the peril to the home, society and the State, involved in the prevalent immorality, we do hereby agree, with a prayerful reliance upon Divine aid, to form ourselves into an association, to be governed by the following Constitution :

ARTICLE I. This association shall be called the AMERICAN PURITY ALLIANCE.

ARTICLE II. The objects of this Alliance are the repression of vice, the prevention of its regulation by the State, the better protection of the young, the rescue of the fallen, the extension of the White Cross among men, and to maintain the law of purity as equally binding upon men and women.

ARTICLE III. Any person who consents to the principles of this constitution, and who contributes annually one dollar or more to its funds, may be a member of this Alliance, and shall be entitled to a vote at the meetings.

ARTICLE IV. The officers of this Alliance shall be a president, vice-presidents, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, a treasurer, and an executive committee, to consist of the president, secretaries, treasurer, and not less than five additional members; and a general council of twenty or more members.

ARTICLE V. The Executive Committee shall have power to enact their own by-laws, fill any vacancy in their body, and in the offices of secretary and treasurer, direct the treasurer in the application of all moneys, and call special meetings of the Alliance. They shall make arrangements for all meetings, and make an annual written report of their doings, and of the expenditures and funds of the Alliance.

ARTICLE VI. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Alliance, or in his absence, one of the vice-presidents, or in their absence, a president pro-tem. The corresponding secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Alliance. The recording secretary shall notify all meetings of the Alliance and of the executive committee, and shall keep records of the same. The treasurer shall receive the subscriptions, make payments at the direction of the executive committee, and present a written and audited account to accompany the annual report. The duties of members of the general council shall be advisory, in connection with the executive committee, to advise and inform the latter as to the condition, progress and needs, legislative and otherwise, of the cause of Purity in their respective States and localities.

ARTICLE VII. The annual meeting of the Alliance shall be held each year at such time and place as the executive committee may direct, when the accounts of the treasurer shall be presented, the annual report read, appropriate addresses delivered, the officers chosen, and such other business transacted as shall be deemed expedient.

ARTICLE VIII. Any Purity or White Cross association founded on the same principles may become auxiliary to this Alliance, by contributing annually the sum of five dollars to its treasury. The officers of each auxiliary association shall be ex-officio members of this organization, and shall be entitled to deliberate and vote in the transactions of its concerns.

ARTICLE IX. This constitution may be amended, at any meeting of the Alliance, by a vote of the members present, provided the amendments proposed have been previously submitted, in writing, to the executive committee.



*CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.*IN THE MATTER OF THE INCORPORATION  
OF  
THE AMERICAN PURITY ALLIANCE.

In pursuance of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York entitled "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable, scientific and missionary societies," passed April 12, 1848, and of the several acts amendatory thereof, we whose names are hereunto subscribed, all being of full age and all citizens of the United States, and a majority of whom are citizens of and residents within the State of New York, do hereby certify:

That we have associated ourselves to form a corporation or society for benevolent purposes, and for the purpose of preventing and lessening crime and immorality.

That the name or title by which such corporation shall be known in law is The American Purity Alliance.

That the particular business and objects of such society are to disseminate literature and to hold public meetings for the purpose of securing more adequate legal protection of females under the age of twenty-one years from immoral lives, and to urge the enactment of such laws as will the more effectually secure such protection, and to urge and secure the enforcement of all laws to prevent the social evil among such females, and also to extend aid and encouragement in the way of rescuing victims of social vice and in providing them with suitable homes and employment.

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In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Eighteenth day of March A. D., 1895.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INCORPORATION  
—OF—  
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I do consent to and approve of the incorporation above mentioned, and of the filing of the within certificate and allow the same accordingly.

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